



## **SUFFOLK COUNTY TREASURER**

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### **TREASURER CARPENTER ADVISES** **2008-2009 REAL PROPERTY TAX BILLS MAILED**

Suffolk County Treasurer Angie Carpenter reminds all property owners that if you have not received your 2008-2009 Real Property Tax Statement, you are still responsible for its payment. Please contact your Town's Receiver of Taxes immediately so that a bill may be mailed to you. "All the towns' Receiver of Taxes have reported that tax bills have been mailed as of December 15<sup>th</sup> to each owner of record," noted Treasurer Carpenter.

First-half tax is due without interest by January 10<sup>th</sup> to the respective Receiver of Taxes, and the second-half is due by May 31<sup>st</sup>. If the first-half tax is not paid by January 10<sup>th</sup>, the Receiver of Taxes will add interest at the rate of 1% per month on the balance of the first-half owed through May 31<sup>st</sup>. After May 31<sup>st</sup>, the total

balance of tax owed is turned over to the County Treasurer for collection. In addition to the flat amount of the tax due, the law requires that the Treasurer collect a 5% penalty together with interest at the rate of 1% per month calculated from February 1<sup>st</sup>.

Treasurer Carpenter also advises taxpayers to review their tax statements carefully, and pay special attention if the word "Arrears" appears at the top of their bills. If so, she advises "that the property owner should immediately contact the Suffolk County Treasurer's Tax Record Room at (631) 852-3000 to determine if prior years' taxes are due, reminding all that we are here to assist in any way possible."

For further information or to obtain a copy of the Suffolk County Treasurer's Taxpayer Information Pamphlet, please call (631) 852-1500 or visit the Treasurer's website at [www.co.suffolk.ny.us/treas](http://www.co.suffolk.ny.us/treas).

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